

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for scheduling travel on a charter transport, comprising:  
2 obtaining from a traveler a passenger accommodation request  
3 identifying an origin-destination pair;  
4 automatically identifying one or more charter transports having an  
5 available passenger accommodation; and  
6 notifying the traveler of the available passenger accommodation.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the passenger accommodation request is  
2 obtained from an agent of the traveler.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the passenger accommodation request is  
2 obtained from a reservation system.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein an agent of the traveler is notified of the  
2 available passenger accommodation.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein a reservation system is notified of the  
2 available passenger accommodation.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1, further comprising requesting bids to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising requesting bids from a plurality of  
2 charter transport operators to provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising requesting bids from a plurality of  
2 charter transport operators to provide a passenger accommodation related to  
3 the request.

- 1 9. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving bids to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation.
- 1 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving bids to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation related to the request.
- 1 11. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving bids from a plurality of  
2 charter transport operators to provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 12. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving bids from a plurality of  
2 charter transport operators to provide a passenger accommodation related to  
3 the request.
- 1 13. The method of claim 1, further comprising selecting a bid to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation.
- 1 14. The method of claim 1, further comprising selecting a bid from a plurality of  
2 bids to provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 15. The method of claim 1, further comprising selecting a lowest bid from a  
2 plurality of bids to provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 16. The method of claim 1, further comprising forwarding to the traveler a bid to  
2 provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 17. The method of claim 1, further comprising forwarding to the traveler a  
2 plurality of bids to provide a passenger accommodation.
- 1 18. The method of claim 1, further comprising forwarding to the traveler bids

1 27. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving information relating to

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- 2 an availability of one or more passenger accommodations on a charter  
3 transport.
- 1 28. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving information relating to  
2 an availability of one or more passenger accommodations on a charter  
3 transport for a time period.
- 1 29. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving information relating to  
2 an availability of one or more passenger accommodations on a charter  
3 transport run.
- 1 30. The method of claim 1, further comprising checking information relating to a  
2 charter transport's availability.
- 1 31. The method of claim 1, further comprising matching the request to an  
2 available passenger accommodation.
- 1 32. The method of claim 1, further comprising communicating a charter  
2 transport's availability to the traveler.
- 1 33. The method of claim 1, further comprising aggregating the request with other  
2 requests.
- 1 34. The method of claim 1, further comprising scheduling a charter transport run  
2 based on one or more requests.
- 1 35. The method of claim 1, further comprising reserving the available passenger  
2 accommodation.
- 1 36. The method of claim 1, further comprising reserving the available passenger

1 37. The method of claim 1, further comprising charging for the available  
2 passenger accommodation.

1 38. The method of claim 1, further comprising charging the traveler for the  
2 available passenger accommodation.

1 39. The method of claim 1, further comprising billing for the available passenger  
2 accommodation.

1 40. The method of claim 1, further comprising billing the traveler for the  
2 available passenger accommodation.

1 41. The method of claim 1, further comprising collecting payment for the  
2 available passenger accommodation.

1 42. The method of claim 1, further comprising collecting payment from the  
2 traveler for the available passenger accommodation.

1 43. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is obtained via the Internet.

1 44. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is obtained via e-mail.

1 45. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is obtained via pager.

1 46. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is obtained via telephone.

1 47. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is obtained via fax.

1 48. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is a committed request.

1 49. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is a notification request.

1 50. The method of claim 1, wherein the request is a standing request.

1 51. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a date of departure  
2 from an origin identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 52. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a time period of  
2 departure from an origin identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 53. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a time of departure  
2 from an origin identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 54. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a date of arrival at a  
2 destination identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 55. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a time period of arrival  
2 at a destination identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 56. The method of claim 1, wherein the request identifies a time of arrival at a  
2 destination identified in the origin-destination-pair.

1 57. The method of claim 1, wherein the passenger accommodation is a seat.

1 58. The method of claim 1, wherein the passenger accommodation is a cabin.

1 59. The method of claim 1, wherein the passenger accommodation is a bunk.

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1 81. The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining an additional passenger  
2 accommodation request for an intermediate origin-destination-pair, obtaining  
3 an additional passenger accommodation reservation on the charter transport



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5 receiving a passenger list and departure schedule from the  
6 accommodation reservation service.

1 90. The method of claim 89, further comprising communicating run periods  
2 associated with the charter transport.

1 91. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications.

1 92. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications related to maintenance.

1 93. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications related to service.

1 94. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications in the form of reminders.

1 95. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications in the form of requests.

1 96. The method of claim 89, further comprising receiving inspection  
2 communications in the form of orders.

1 97. A method for filling an available passenger accommodations on a charter  
2 transport, comprising:

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1 103. The method of claim 99, further comprising receiving a bid to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation, the bid related to the passenger accommodation  
3 reservation request.

- 1 104. The method of claim 99, further comprising receiving a plurality of bids to  
2 provide a passenger accommodation, the plurality of bids related to the  
3 passenger accommodation reservation request.
- 1 105. The method of claim 99, further comprising selecting a bid to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation.
- 1 106. The method of claim 99, further comprising accepting a bid to provide a  
2 passenger accommodation.
- 1 107. The method of claim 99, further comprising receiving a passenger  
2 accommodation reservation offer associated with a charter transport run.
- 1 108. The method of claim 99, further comprising receiving a passenger  
2 accommodation reservation offer associated with a charter transport run  
3 related to the passenger accommodation reservation request.
- 1 109. The method of claim 99, further comprising accepting a passenger  
2 accommodation reservation offer associated with a charter transport run.
- 1 110. The method of claim 99, further comprising accepting a passenger  
2 accommodation reservation offer for a charter transport run related to the  
3 passenger accommodation reservation request.
- 1 111. The method of claim 99, further comprising providing payment for the  
2 passenger accommodation reservation.
- 1 112. The method of claim 99, further comprising arriving at a charter transport  
2 boarding facility.

- 1 113. The method of claim 99, further comprising boarding the charter transport.
- 1 114. A method for obtaining a passenger accommodation reservation on a charter  
2 transport, comprising:  
3 reviewing available charter transports; and  
4 submitting a bid for a passenger accommodation on a charter  
5 transport run.
- 1 115. The method of claim 114, further comprising identifying at least one origin-  
2 destination-pair.
- 1 116. The method of claim 114, further comprising identifying at least one origin-  
2 destination-pair and a corresponding time period.
- 1 117. The method of claim 114, further comprising receiving notification of a  
2 successful bid.
- 1 118. The method of claim 114, further comprising receiving a passenger  
2 accommodation reservation.
- 1 119. The method of claim 114, further comprising receiving a departure schedule.

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